



REPORT FOR ACTION

Northbound U-Turn Prohibition - Caledonia Road

Date: May 17, 2017

To: North York Community Council

From: Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District

Wards: Ward 15 - Eglinton-Lawrence

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates bus service on Caledonia Road, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to prohibit northbound U-turns anytime on Caledonia Road between Lawrence Avenue West and a point 250 metres further north.

The northbound U-turn prohibition will address safety concerns and congestion adjacent to Bryan College located at 1200 Lawrence Avenue West.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. City Council prohibit northbound U-turns at all times on Caledonia Road, between Lawrence Avenue West and a point 250 metres further north.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the installation of a U-turn prohibition on Caledonia Road are included within the Transportation Services 2017 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new issue.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by the school manager of Bryan College to prohibit northbound U-turns on Caledonia Road in front of Bryan College, which is located on the northwest corners of Lawrence Avenue west and Caledonia Road.

Caledonia Road is a 14.5 metre wide two-way north/south minor arterial road that connects Lawrence Avenue West to Bridgeland Avenue to the north.

Motorists attempting to make northbound left turns onto Lawrence Avenue West from Caledonia Road often complete U-turns north of the intersection to avoid waiting to make a northbound left turn at the intersection. Observations on November 29, 2016 revealed 49 motorists completed U-turns from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. along Caledonia Road as well as on Lawrence Service Road North which is adjacent to the north side of the school, approximately 65 metres north of Lawrence Avenue West. This activity is potentially unsafe given the significant amount of traffic volumes along Caledonia Road.

To address this situation, it is feasible to prohibit northbound U-turns at all time between Lawrence Avenue West and a point 250 metres further north.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation of this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - U-turn Prohibition - Caledonia Road